

Please amend claim 1-12 as follows:

1. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plumb Level for the use of plumbing and leveling in general construction~~ A level comprising:

an elongated rigid frame having an X-shaped cross section with four elongated walls that are rigidly joined along an elongated central portion of the cross section extending outward from the elongated central portion of the cross section; and

a level indicating bubble vial secured to the frame and indicating when the frame has a particular orientation.

2. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plumb Level of lengths including but not limited to 6", 12", 24", 36", and 60"~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein the frame has a length of at least 6 inches in the direction of elongation.

3. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plumb Level constructed with intersecting 45-degree sections~~ A level according to claim 1, further comprising a pivotally mounted level indicating bubble vial hingedly mounted on one of the elongated walls near an outer edge thereof, the pivotally mounted level indicating vial being pivotable between a secured position in which the pivotally mounted level indicating vial extends between the outer edges of two elongated walls and an extended position in which the pivotally mounted level indicating vial extends outward from the one wall to form an extension of the one wall.

4. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level comprised of two opposing swivel bubble vials to read vertical planes and open to measure 45-degree intersections or post plumb in upright positions~~ A level according to claim 1, further comprising two pivotally mounted level indicating bubble vials mounted on opposite sides of the frame, each pivotally mounted level indicating vial being pivotally mounted on one of the elongated walls near an outer edge thereof and being pivotable between a secured position in with the pivotally mounted level indicating vials extend between the outer edges of two elongated walls in opposed relationship to each other and an extended position in which the pivotally mounted level indicating vials extend outward to form an extensions of the walls on which the level indicating vials are pivotally mounted.

5. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level comprised of two central located vials for measurement of horizontal planes~~ A level according to claim 1, further comprising first and second bubble vials fixedly mounted on the frame in opposing relationship to one another with an orientation that is parallel to the direction of elongation.

6. . (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level with inverted opposing 45-degree angled plumb vials housed in a round embodiment for the measurement and alignment of 45-degree planes~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein the level indicating bubble vial has an orientation of 45-degrees relative to the direction of elongation.

7. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level with 45 degree vials that can be removed, used as a line level, and returned to its position for easy storage and accessibility~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein the level indicating bubble vial is removable from the frame.

8. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level with 45 degree vials that make it more accurate on the working plane than a bull's eye bubble~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein the level indicating bubble vial has an orientation of 45 degrees relative to the direction of elongation and further comprising a second level indicating bubble vial fixedly secured to the frame with an orientation in a direction parallel to the direction of elongation.

9. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plumb Level with a 45 degree (V) groove allowing the level to balance with no support on no flat objects including or not limited to piping, round fencing, and apexes~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein the level indicating bubble vial has an orientation of 45 degrees relative to the direction of elongation and further comprising second and third level indicating bubble vials fixedly secured to the frame in opposing relationship to one another with an orientation in a direction parallel to the direction of elongation.

10. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level with a 45 degree (V) groove, which aids in leveling odd angled surfaces with its deep centerline~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein the frame walls define front and back 90 degree V grooves disposed in opposing relationship and further comprising:

a front handle molding secured within the front V groove and supporting the level indicating bubble vial; and

a rear handle molding secured within the rear V groove and supporting a rear level indicating bubble vial.

11. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level equipped with two opposing central handle moldings attached to the middle standard, which embody magnets, which allow the invention to adhere to metal surfaces for hands free maneuverability~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein the frame walls define front and back 90 degree V grooves disposed in opposing relationship and further comprising:

a front handle molding secured within the front V groove and supporting the level indicating bubble vial, the level indicating bubble vial being oriented in a direction parallel to the direction of elongation; and

a rear handle molding secured within the rear V groove and supporting a rear level indicating bubble vial, the rear level indicating bubble vial being oriented in a direction parallel to the direction of elongation and being in opposing relationship to the first mentioned level indicating bubble vial.

12. (Currently amended) ~~Multi Plane Plum Level with protective end caps on the extreme ends of the (X) shaped standard member comprised of material including but not limited to rubber, which resists shock, scratch damage, and electrical conductivity~~ A level according to claim 1, wherein scratch resistant end caps are secured to each end of the frame.

Please add claims 13-20 as follows:

13. (New) A level according to claim 1, wherein the frame walls define front and back 90 degree V grooves disposed in opposing relationship and further comprising:

a front handle molding secured within the front V groove and supporting the level indicating bubble vial and at least one magnet; and

a rear handle molding secured within the rear V groove and supporting a rear level indicating bubble vial.

14. (New) A level comprising:

an elongated rigid frame having an X-shaped cross section with four elongated walls that are rigidly joined along an elongated central portion of the cross section and rotationally spaced at 90-degree angles around the central portion of the cross section, the elongated walls extending outward from the elongated central portion; and

a level indicating vial secured to the frame and indicating when the frame has a particular orientation.

15. (New) A level according to claim 14, wherein the frame walls define front and back 90 degree V grooves disposed in opposing relationship and further comprising:

a front handle molding secured within the front V groove and supporting the level indicating bubble vial; and

a rear handle molding secured within the rear V groove and supporting a rear level indicating bubble vial.

16. (New) A level according to claim 14, wherein the frame has a length of at least 60 inches in the direction of elongation.

17. (New) A level according to claim 14, further comprising a pivotally mounted level indicating bubble vial hingedly mounted on one of the elongated walls near an outer edge thereof, the pivotally mounted level indicating vial being pivotable between a secured position in which the pivotally mounted level indicating vial extends between the outer edges of two elongated walls and an extended position in which the pivotally mounted level indicating vial extends outward from the one wall to form an extension of the one wall.

18. (New) A level according to claim 14, further comprising two pivotally mounted level indicating vials mounted on opposite sides of the frame, each pivotally mounted level indicating vial being pivotally mounted on one of the elongated walls near an outer edge thereof and being pivotable between a secured position in which the pivotally mounted level indicating vials extend between the outer edges of two elongated walls in opposed relationship to each other and an extended position in which the pivotally mounted level indicating vials extend outward to form an extensions of the walls on which the level indicating vials are pivotally mounted.

19. (New) A level according to claim 14, further comprising first and second bubble vials fixedly mounted on the frame in opposing relationship to one another with an orientation that is parallel to the direction of elongation.

20. (New) A level comprising:

an elongated rigid frame extending along a direction of elongation and having an X-shaped cross section, the frame having four elongated generally rectangular walls that are rigidly joined along an elongated central portion of the cross section, the elongated walls extending outward from the elongated central portion of the cross section and being rotationally uniformly spaced around the elongated central portion of the cross section, the walls forming 90-degree V grooves between facing pairs of walls, the V grooves including a front V groove and an opposing rear V groove;

first and second bubble vials, the first and second bubble vials being flip out level indicating bubble vials hingedly secured to different walls of the frame with an orientation transverse to the direction of elongation, the first and second bubble vials being rotatable between a secured position in which the first and second bubble vials are disposed in opposing relationship to one another within the front and rear V grooves, respectively, and an extended position in which the first and second bubble vials each form an extension of a wall to which the bubble vial is secured;

second and third bubble vials disposed in opposing relationship within the front and back grooves, respectively, of the frame with an orientation that is parallel to the elongated central portion of the cross section, the four walls each having an aperture formed therein at a location that enables the second and third bubble vials to be viewed from both sides of the frame; and



fifth and sixth bubble vials disposed in opposing relationship with the front and back grooves, respectively, the fifth and sixth bubble vials being oriented at an angle of 45-degrees to the direction of elongation